

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of	)	
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Application No.:	)	Group Art Unit: 1626
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For: INTERMEDIATES FOR	)	37 C.F.R. 1.53(b) Divisional of
PESTICIDAL COMPOSITION	)	Application No. 09/550,312,
COMPRISING ENANTIOMERIC	)	filed April 14, 2000, now allowed
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**LETTER ACCOMPANYING FILING OF DIVISIONAL APPLICATION**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

The accompanying divisional application claims intermediate compounds originally disclosed and claimed in parent Application No. 09/550,312, filed April 14, 2000; in addition, it claims a process for utilizing said intermediates in the preparation of the composition claimed in the parent application.

Claims 1-18, all of the claims in this divisional application, are fully supported by the parent application as originally filed. The claims of this divisional application are directed to the non-elected Group II invention in the parent, that is, the intermediate compounds claimed in Claim 72 of the parent application as originally filed, and to a process employing those compounds. Present Claim 1 corresponds to parent Claim 72. Claims 2-9 are drawn to preferred aspects of the Claim 1 subject matter, Claim 10 is drawn

to the process, and Claims 11-18 are drawn to preferred aspects of the Claim 10 subject matter. Support for all of the claims is found at least in paragraphs [0023] through [0028] of the specification.

The accompanying application also includes an updated cross-reference to related applications.

Clearly, no new matter has been added.

In view of the foregoing, prompt examination on the merits of all of Claims 1-18 is believed to be in order and is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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